

Service Date: January 8, 2007

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF the Application of)	UTILITY DIVISION
Front Range Pipeline, LLC to Implement Rates)	DOCKET NO.D2006.12.191
and Charges to Shippers on its Crude)	ORDER NO. 6795
Petroleum Pipeline from Laurel, Montana to)	
Billings, Montana)	

INTERIM ORDER

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On December 22, 2006, the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) received an application from Front Range Pipeline (Front Range) for authority to implement rates and charges to shippers on its proposed Laurel, Montana to Billings, Montana crude petroleum pipeline. Front Range has set the rate at \$0.17 per U.S. Barrel and has notified all proposed shippers on the line. Front Range has filed a new tariff (Montana PSC No. 16). Rates and charges collected under the tariff are subject to refund if the Commission subsequently determines that the rates are excessive.

2. On January 4, 2007, the PSC met in a duly noticed meeting and approved the tariff on an interim basis.

3. A Notice of Application and Intervention Deadline will be issued at a later date.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Montana Public Service Commission has jurisdiction over the rates

and charges of common carrier pipelines pursuant to Title 69, Chapter 13, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

2. Front Range Pipeline is a common carrier pipeline transporting crude petroleum and therefore is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The PSC approves the tariff for rates and charges on this pipeline on an interim basis.

2. This Order shall be effective for service rendered on and after January 4, 2007.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana on this 4th day of January, 2007, by a
5 - 0 vote.

BY THE ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

GREG JERGSON, Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Vice Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

KEN TOOLE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.